

## CONGRESSIONAL RECORD SUMMARY

Monday, December 10, 2001

### SENATE

#### Measure Introduced:

**S. 1794.** *A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to prohibit the unauthorized circumvention of airport security systems and procedures; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. "...I rise today to introduce legislation that will make it a Federal criminal offense to intentionally circumvent an airport security checkpoint..."*

Cleland

*Pages S 12772, S 12777-8*

#### Measure Reported:

**S. 1637,** to waive certain limitations in the case of use of the emergency fund authorized by section 125 of title 23, United States Code, to pay the costs of projects in response to the attack on the World Trade Center in New York City that occurred on September 11, 2001. (Senate Report No. 107-121)

*Pages S 12771-2, D 1229*

#### Nomination Received:

**Senate received the following nomination:**

*Christopher James Christie, of New Jersey, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey for the term of four years.*

*Pages S 12815, D 1229-30*

#### Text Of H.R. 3338, Department Of Defense Appropriations Act Of 2002, As Passed The Senate On December 7, 2001.

*Pages S 12779-812*

**See Pages S 12800-1: CHAPTER 2. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION. PATRIOT ACT ACTIVITIES.** (*Mentioned: The Judiciary, Marshall's Service Court Security, Administrative Office US Courts.*)

#### Committee Meetings:

**Committee on the Judiciary:** *Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of David L. Bunning, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator McConnell, testified and answered questions in his own behalf. Testimony was also received from Henry R. Whilhoit, Jr., Senior District Judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, Ashland; Karl S. Forester, Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, Lexington; Joseph M. Hood, Judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, Lexington; Joseph L. Famularo, Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Frankfurt; and Roscoe Trimmier, Jr., Boston, Massachusetts, David C. Weiner, Cleveland, Ohio, and Judah Best, Washington, D.C., all on behalf of the American Bar Association/Standing Committee on Federal Judiciary.*

**Special Committee on Aging:** *Committee concluded hearings to examine the costs and tradeoffs of reforming Social Security, focusing on the President's Commission to Strengthen Social Security proposals and other related reform plans.*

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#### Committee Meetings For Tuesday, December 11, 2001:

**Committee on Governmental Affairs:** @ 9:00 a.m. To hold hearings to examine the local role in homeland security. SD-342.

**Committee on the Judiciary:** @ 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, to hold hearings to examine homeland defense issues, focusing on sharing information with local law enforcement. SD-226.

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**Committee Meetings Scheduled:**

**Committee on Armed Services,** 12/12/01 @ 9:30 a.m. To hold hearings to examine the Department of Defense implementation of the President's Military Order on the detention, treatment, and trial by military commissions of certain non-citizens in the war on terrorism. SR-325.

**Committee on the Judiciary,** 12/12/01 @ 10:00 a.m. To hold hearings to examine the future of the Microsoft settlement. SD-106.

**Committee on Governmental Affairs,** 12/13/01 @ 9:30 a.m. To hold hearings to examine security of the passenger and transit rail infrastructure. SD-342.

**Committee on the Judiciary,** 12/13/01 @ 10:00 a.m. *Business meeting to consider pending calendar business.* SD-226.

**Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions,** 12/18/01 @ 10:00 a.m. To hold hearings to *examine the limits of existing laws* with respect to protecting against genetic discrimination. SD-106.

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**HOUSE**

**Report Filed:**

**Report was filed today as follows:**

**H.R. 3295,** to establish a program to provide funds to States to replace punch card voting systems, to establish the Election Assistance Commission to assist in the administration of Federal elections and to otherwise provide assistance with the administration of certain Federal election laws and programs, to establish minimum election administration standards for States and units of local government with responsibility for the administration of Federal elections, amended (House Report 107-329 Part 1).

*Pages H 9081, D 1230*

**Executive Communications:**

**EC.-4757.** A letter from the Attorney General, Department of Justice, *transmitting a report on the Strategic Plan for fiscal years 2001-2006;* to the Committee on Government Reform.

**EC.-4758.** A letter from the Assistant Director, Office of General Counsel, Department of Justice, *transmitting the Department's final rule--National Security; Prevention of Acts of Violence and Terrorism* [BOP-1116; AG Order No. 2529-2001] (RIN: 1120-AB08) received November 9, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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**Committee Meetings For Tuesday, December 11, 2001:**

**Committee on Appropriations,** @ 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary,

on OxyContin. 2359 Rayburn.

**Committee on Energy and Commerce, @ 3:00 p.m.** Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing on the settlement between the U.S. Government and Nextwave, Inc., to resolve disputed spectrum licenses. 2123 Rayburn.

**Committee on Rules, @ 5:00 p.m.** To consider the following: **H.R. 3129, Customs Border Security Act of 2001; H.R. 3295, Help America Vote Act of 2001;** and the Conference Report to accompany **H.R. 2883, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002.** H-313 Capitol.

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**Remarks:**

Congressional Immigration Reform Caucus Hearing.

Tancredo

*Pages E 2243-4*

**Terrorism Risk Protection Act.**

*"... The bill will force every legal action involving a terrorist-related claim into federal court even though states are the traditional arena for deciding such cases. This bill is written so broadly that its restrictions would apply to any future legal action involving terrorism, even if an insurance company were not a party to the action. I supported a compromise in which the insurance industry was to assume appropriate financial responsibility. There is simply no need for such broad and controversial tort reform provisions to be attached to this measure..."*

McCollum

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**Next SENATE MEETING: Tuesday, 9:30 a.m., December 11, 2001.**

**Next HOUSE MEETING: Tuesday, 12:30 p.m., December 11, 2001.**

**OLA: S. Schwarz (Smith)**